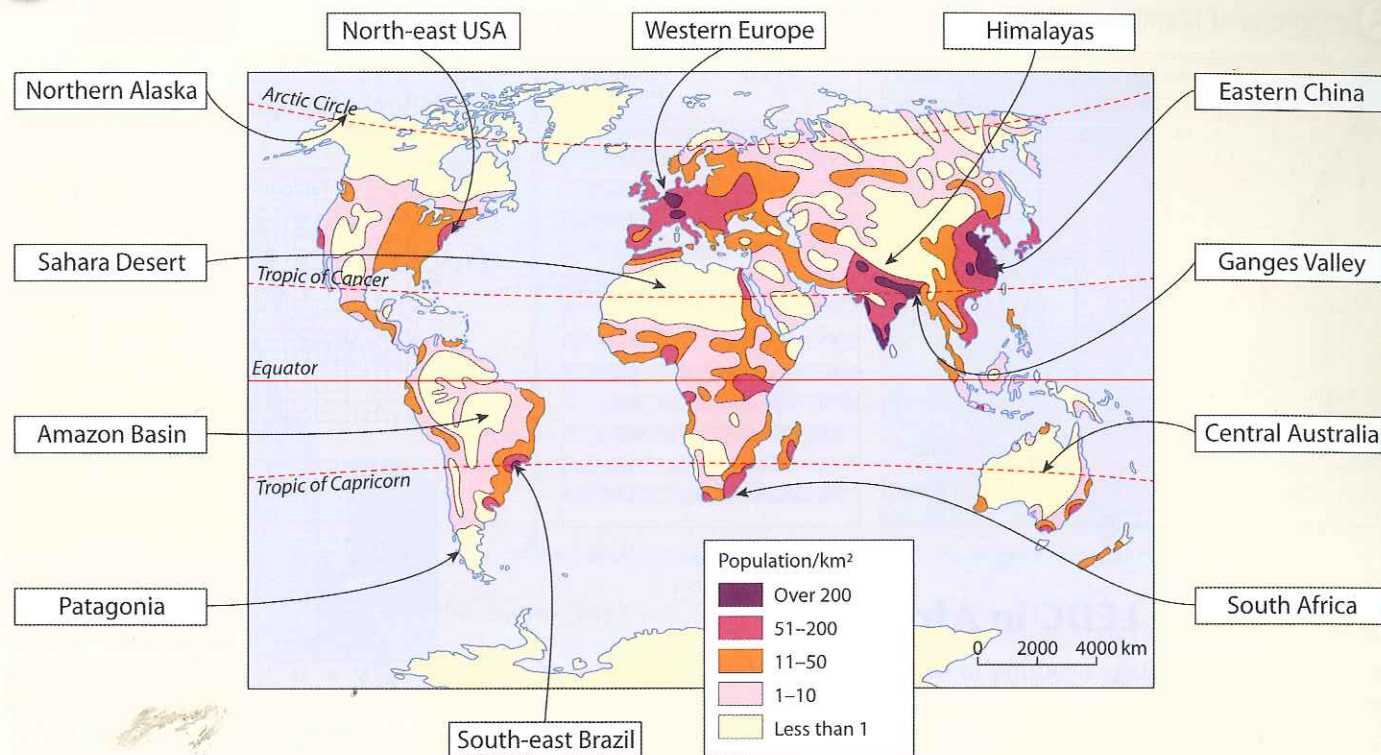
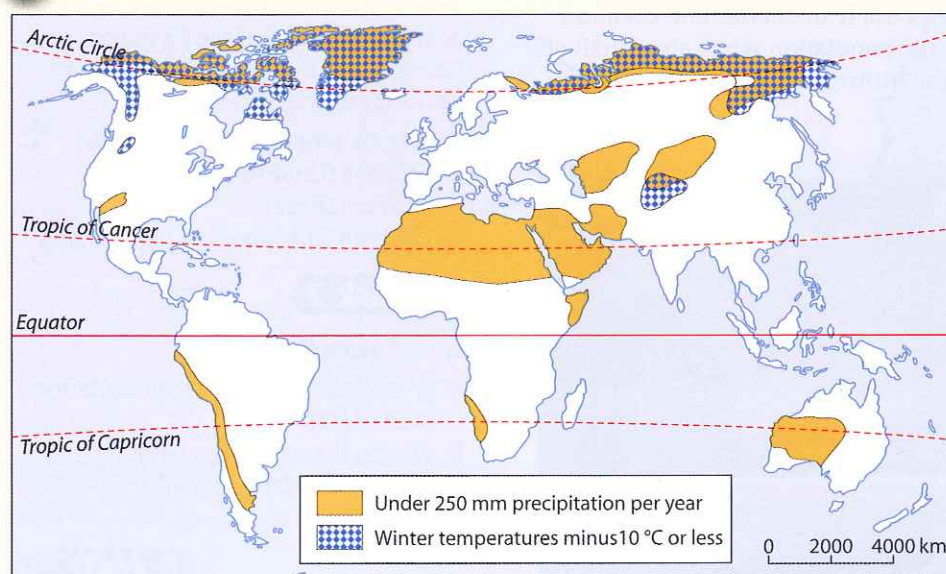


D World population density



E Areas of extreme climate



Task 3

Study Sources D and E.

- Use the information on the maps to explain the link between population density and climate. Give examples in your answer.
- Many densely populated areas have a temperate climate. Find out what a temperate climate is and write down its main features.

Population density

Population density describes the average number of people living in a given area (this is usually a square kilometre, or km²). It is calculated by dividing the total population by the area of land. If all the people living in the world were evenly spread over the surface of the land there would be about 6 people living in every square kilometre. But, as you have seen, in some areas lots of people live close together in large urban areas (towns and cities). These are densely populated or have a high population density, e.g. north-east USA.

There are other areas where few or no people live, such as in mountainous regions and deserts. These are sparsely populated or have a low population density, e.g. central Australia.